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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
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Dear Sir:

This letter is filed in response to the Office action of July 29, 2003 and is accompanied by a petition for a two-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a) and fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(a).

Please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.